

TOWN OF SOMERS
PLANNING COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 11th, 2015

7:00PM TOWN HALL

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Greg Genlot at 7:00PM. In attendance were William Salka, John Curran, Clifford Bordeaux. Also in attendance, Director of Land Use/Town Engineer Jeff Bord.

II. PUBLIC HEARING:

A. Town of Somers 2015 Plan of Conservation and Development

Chairman Greg Genlot opened the Public Hearing by reading the Legal Notice published on May 28th and June 4th. It read:

The Town of Somers Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing regarding adoption of the **2015 Plan of Conservation and Development** on June 11, 2015, 7:00 P.M. at the Somers Town Hall Auditorium, 600 Main Street, Somers, CT. There will be a presentation with public comments to follow. The 2015 POCD can be viewed at the Somers Land Use Department, in the office of the Town Clerk, or on-line at www.somersct.gov . Any questions regarding this Public Hearing can be referred to Jeffrey S. Bord PE, LS, Director of Land Use/Town Engineer at 860-763-8218 or jbord@somersct.gov .

B. The floor was then opened to Glenn Chalder, from Planimetrics, to present the 2015 POCD.

He gave background on the process, using the 2004 POCD for continuity, soliciting input from the Planning Commission members, the Board of Selectmen and other resources in Town.

The 2015 POCD is different from the 2004 POCD in that the content is divided into 5 major categories:

1. Introduction
2. Conservation Strategies
3. Development Strategies
4. Infrastructure Strategies
5. Conclusions

C. The floor was then opened to public comment. Lisa Pelligrini, First Selectman, took the opportunity to thank the Planning Commission, Jeff Bord, Town Engineer and Glenn Chalder, from Planimetrics, for their dedication and input to the 2015 POCD.

Ms. Pelligrini asked that the language be softened in the following:

Pg. 26, paragraphs 3 and 4; Pg. 33; Pg. 34. eliminate the 1st paragraph and move it to Pg. 52.

Kathy Devlin, Selectman, requested the words 'heart healthy' be inserted on Pg. 52.

D. Chairman, Greg Genlot then read a letter of input from Janice Tiernan, 593 Springfield Road, Somers, which she requested to be included in the Minutes of the June 11th Public Hearing.

E. Clifford Bordeaux made a motion to close the Public Hearing. William Salka seconded. All were in favor. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:48 P.M.

III. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Town of Somers 2015 Plan of Conservation and Development

William Salka made a motion to approve the **2015 Plan of Conservation and Development** with amendments prior to June 30th. Clifford Bordeaux seconded. All were in favor. The motion carried.

V. STAFF REPORTS/DISCUSSION:

Jeff Bord, Town Engineer, had Chairman Greg Genlot sign the Brow Hill Road property line reconfiguration that was approved on May 28th.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 28th minutes

William Salka made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. Clifford Bordeaux seconded. All were in favor.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Clifford Bordeaux made a motion to adjourn the meeting. William Salka seconded. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.

